

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1- 30 (Cancelled)

Claims 31-39 (Cancelled)

40. (Currently Amended) A method of making a tape-on drywall accessory for drywall construction, including:

selecting an elongated core strip having inward and outward faces, a corner portion extending from end to end, and at least one flange projecting transversely from the corner portion to an edge;

selecting an elongated planar paper strip;

~~after the~~ affixing the paper strip to an outward face of the core strip such that a portion of the paper strip extends transversely beyond the edge of the at least one flange to form a planar flap; and

after the affixing the step, permanently deforming the flap longitudinally along the length thereof to form a plurality of ~~uniformed~~ uniform depressions on the inward face thereof.

41. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 40 wherein:
the deforming step includes deforming the flap to form depressions on both the
inward and outward faces of the flap.

42. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
selecting the core strip of metal.

43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
selecting the paper strip as being reinforced with a strengthening compound.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 wherein:
the paper strip is selected as being constructed of paper fabricated from fibers
mixed with a strengthening compound.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 wherein:
the paper is selected as constructed of fibers encapsulated with a strengthening
compound.

46. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 wherein:
the affixing steps includes bonding the paper strip to the core.

47. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 40 that includes:
permanently deforming the paper strip to form a plurality of ~~grooves~~ depressions
and ridges on the inward surface thereof.

48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
deforming the flap to form parallel grooves and ridges on the outward surface
thereof.

49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
deforming the flap to form at least three depressions and four ridges on the inward
surface thereof.

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
deforming the flap to form the uniform depressions spaced equidistant laterally
apart.

51. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 40 that includes:
~~forming~~ deforming the flap along its length with perforations for communication
of joint compound there through.

52. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 51 that includes:
~~forming~~ deforming the flap with the perforations formed with an opening having a cross sectional dimension of at least $1/64^{\text{th}}$ of an inch.

53. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 51 that includes:
deforming the flap to form the perforations spaced apart at least $3/32^{\text{nd}}$ of an inch.

54. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 51 that includes:
~~forming~~ deforming the flap with the perforations $1/64^{\text{th}}$ of an inch wide and $1/16^{\text{th}}$ of an inch long.

55. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
deforming the flap to form the depressions are at least $1/64^{\text{th}}$ of an inch deep.

56. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:
reinforcing the flap with latex.

57. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 40 that includes:
~~forming~~ deforming the flap with the depressions continuous along the length thereof configured to cooperate in providing linear stiffness to the flap.

58. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 40 wherein:

the core strip is selected formed with a pair of co-extensive flanges formed with opposite longitudinal edges;

the selecting of the strip includes selecting the strip having a lateral dimension wider than the width of the core strip;

the step of affixing the paper strip includes positioning it such that it projects transversely beyond the opposite longitudinal edges of the flange to form flaps projecting beyond such flange edges; and

the step of deforming the flap includes deforming both flaps to form depressions on the respective inward faces thereof.

59. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 wherein:

the core strip is selected as being constructed of plastic.

60. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 wherein:

the strip is selected as being constructed of aluminum.

61. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40 that includes:

forming the core strip with a rounded in transverse cross section corner portion.